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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Mallozzi et al. in U.S. Patent No. 3,850,0698 discloses using a liquid overlay material but does not disclose applying a transparent overlay upon the energy-absorbing overlay. None of the references of record discloses or suggests, alone or in combination, a method of treating a workpiece by applying shockwaves thereto, comprising the steps of applying an energy-absorbing overlay composed of a liquid material; applying a transparent overlay upon said energy-absorbing overlay, and directing a pulse of coherent energy to said energy absorbing overlay.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Geoffrey S Evans whose telephone number is (571)-272-1174. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 6:30AM to 4:00 PM, alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tom Dunn can be reached on (571)-272-1171. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571)-273-8300.

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